GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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HEALTH OF COASTAL PEOPLE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the health of the people living in the coastal areas of the country is very poor;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any study on the health status of the coastal people;

(d) if so, the findings of the study; and

(e) the action taken by the Government to upgrade the health of the coastal people?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (e) Government is not aware of any such study. However, National Rural Health Mission provisions for health care for all including coastal regions. The States prepare their Annual Programme implementation Plan based on morbidity, mortality profile including for coastal areas which is appraised and approved by the National Programme Coordination Committee under NRHM. In the year 2008-09 Government of Kerala had projected requirement for conducting camps with the help of trained ANMs and Medical Officers of nearby institutions to support immunization programme in coastal areas covering 10 districts. The same was considered and approved.